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MINISTER FUKUDA'S VISIT

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF PRESS RELEASE
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA ON THE OCCASION
OF PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA'S VISIT:

QUOTE 1. AT THE INVITATION OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA AND MRS. SOEHARTO,
THE PRIME MINISTER OF JAPAN AND MRS. FUKUDA PAID AN
OFFICIAL VISIT TO INDONESIA FROM 12 TO 14 AUGUST 1977.

2. PRIME MINISTER TAKEO FUKUDA WAS ACCOMPANIED BY
H.E. MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. IICHIRO HATOYAMA,
H.E. MINISTER OF STATE, CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY,
MR. SUNAO SONODA, H.E. MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE
AND INDUSTRY, MR. TATSUO TANAKA, AND OTHER HIGH RANKING
OFFICIALS OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT.
PRESIDENT SOEHARTO WAS ACCOMPANIED BY H.E. MINISTER OF
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FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. ADAM MALIK, H.E. MINISTER OF STATE
FOR ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL AFFAIRS,
MR. WIDJOJO NITISASTRO, H.E. MINISTER OF TRADE, MR. RADIUS
PRAWIRO, H.E. MINISTER OF INDUSTRY, MR. M.JUSUF, H.E. MINISTER
OF AGRICULTURE, MR. THOJIB HADIWIDJAJA, H.E. MINISTER OF
STATE/STATE SECRETARY, MR. SUDHARMONO AND OTHER HIGH
RANKING OFFICIALS.

ON THE OCCASION OF THIS VISIT THE PRIME MINISTER PAID A COURTESY CALL ON HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICE-PRESIDENT, SULTAN HAMENGKUBUWONO IX, AND MET WITH OTHER INDONESIAN DIGNITARIES, AND ALSO WAS RECEIVED BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR OF JAKARTA, LIEUTNANT GENERAL TJOKROPRANOLO, AT A CIVIC RECEPTION AT THE CITY HALL AND PERFORMED A WREATH LAYING CEREMONY AT THE KALIBATA HEROES CEMETERY.

3. PRIME MINISTER TAKEO FUKUDA AND PRESIDENT SOEHARTO HELD WIDE RANGING DISCUSSIONS ON BILATERAL AS WELL AS REGIONAL MATTERS OF COMMON CONCERN. THE TALKS WERE HELD IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF CORDIALITY AND FRIENDSHIP REFLECTING THE GOOD RELATIONS EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE TWO HEADS OF GOVERNMENTS AGREED TO ENHANCE COOPERATION IN VARIOUS FIELDS, IN PARTICULAR IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND OTHER FIELDS. (AN ELABORATION OF THE BASIS OF SUCH COOPERATION IS TO BE CONTAINED IN A JOINT DOCUMENT).

4. PRESIDENT SOEHARTO GAVE AN EXPOSE OF THE DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS WHICH ARE ARDUOUSLY BEING MADE BY INDONESIAN IN THE FRAMEWORK OF REPELITA-II. THE PRESIDENT EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE EXTENDED BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT UP TO NOW AND HOPED THAT SUCH COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE COULD BE INTENSIFIED IN THE FUTURE, IN PARTICULAR IN THE FIELDS OF FOODSTUFF, AGRICULTURE

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AND INDUSTRY.

5. PRESIDENT SOEHARTO EXPLAINED THE PROGRESS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASAHAN HYDROELECTRIC POWER AND ALUMINIUM PROJECT WHICH UP TO NOW IS PROGRESSING SMOOTHLY.

THE PRESIDENT HOPED THAT THIS LARGE-SCALE COOPERATION PROJECT BETWEEN INDONESIA AND JAPAN COULD BE FINALIZED ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE.

FURTHERMORE, PRESIDENT SOEHARTO ALSO EXPLAINED THE PROGRESS OF THE LNG PROJECT, AT BADAQ, EAST KALIMANTAN, WHICH HAS BEGUN TO EXPORT ITS PRODUCTS TO JAPAN AND IT WAS HOPED THAT THE OTHER LNG PROJECT AT ARUN (ACEH), COULD ALSO BE COMPLETED ON TIME.

PRESIDENT SOEHARTO EXPLAINED THE POLICY OF THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT ON FOREIGN CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND KEPT THE DOOR OPEN TO FOREIGN INVESTORS -- INCLUDING JAPANESE. IN THIS CONTEXT PRESIDENT SOEHARTO HOPED THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN WHO WANTED TO INVEST IN INDONESIA.

6. PRESIDENT SOEHARTO AGAIN STRESSED INDONESIAN

EXPECTATIONS THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT COULD IMPROVE
THE ACCESS OF INDONESIA'S EXPORT COMMODITIES INTO THE
JAPANESE MARKET THROUGH REMOVAL AND/OR RELAXATION
OF EXISTING TARIFF AND NON-TARIFF BARRIERS.

7. PRESIDENT SOEHARTO EXPRESSED THE HOPE OF INDONESIA
THAT BILATERAL COOPERATION COULD BE IMPROVED AND SHOULD
NOT BE CONFINED TO ECONOMIC ASPECT ONLY BUT SHOULD ALSO
BE WIDENED IN THE SOCIAL AND CULTURAL FIELDS, AMONG OTHERS
IN THE FIELDS OF HEALTH, AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION ETC.

8. PRESIDENT SOEDASO ACCEPTED THE INVITATION EXTENDED BY
PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA TO VISIT JAPAN WITH DEEP APPRECIATION
AND EXPRESSED HIS WILLINGNESS TO COME TO JAPAN AT A
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